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11	LESLIE KLEIN,	Chapter 11
12 13	Debtor.	Adv Case No.: 2:25-ap-01020-NB
14	BRADLEY D. SHARP, Chapter 11 Trustee,	SECOND JOINT STATUS REPORT
15	Plaintiff,	Date: May 6, 2025 Time: 1:00 p.m. Location: U.S. Bankruptcy Court
16 17	v.	Courtroom 1545 255 E. Temple St. Los Angeles, CA 90012
18	LIFE CAPITAL GROUP, LLC, a limited liability company, SHLOMO Y. RECHNITZ,	Judge: Hon. Neil W. Bason
19	individually and as a member of LIFE CAPITAL GROUP, LLC, YISROEL ZEV	
20	RECHNITZ, an individual, CHAIM MANELA, an individual, JONATHAN	
21	POLTER, an individual and as a manager of LIFE CAPITAL GROUP, and SECURITY	
22	LIFE OF DENVER LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,	
23	Defendants.	
24	Detendants.	
25 26	Plaintiff Bradley D Sharn Chanter 11 T	Trustee (the "Trustee" or "Plaintiff") and Life
27	v	nitz ("Shlomo"), Yisroel Zev Rechnitz ("Steve"),
28	Chaim	( <u></u> ),
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Manela ("Manela"), Jonathan Polter ("Polter"), and Security Life of Denver Life
Insurance Company ("Security Life") each a defendant, together the defendants (the
" <u>Defendants</u> ") and together with the Plaintiff, the " <u>Parties</u> ") hereby submit their second joint
status report regarding the events that have transpired since the filing of the status report filed with
the Court on March 6, 2025 [Adv. Docket No. 25] and represent as follows:

## The Complaint A.

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On January 23, 2025, the Trustee filed a complaint [Adv. Docket No. 1] (the "Complaint") against the above-described parties seeking to avoid and recovery on account of certain transactions set forth in greater detail in the Complaint.

### В. The Motions to Compel Arbitration, Answer, and Extensions

On March 10, 2025, LCG and Polter filed their motion to compel arbitration [Adv. Docket No. 26] ("LCG Motion to Compel") and Shlomo and Steven filed a motion to compel arbitration [Adv. Docket No. 28] (the "Rechnitz Motion to Compel" and together with the LCG Motion to Compel, the "Motions to Compel").

On March 24, 2024, Manela filed his answer to the Complaint. [Adv. Docket No. 36]. On March 28, 2025, the Plaintiff and Security Life entered into a stipulation extending Security Life's time to respond to the Complaint until May 20, 2025, which is two weeks after the Court's disposition of the Motions to Compel. [Adv. Docket No. 37]. The Court approved this stipulation on March 28, 2025. [Adv. Docket No. 38].

#### C. **The Motions to Compel**

In response to the Motions to Compel, the Plaintiff filed an opposition (the "Opposition") [Adv. Docket No. 40] to the Motions to Compel. LCG, Polter, Shlomo, and Steve will file a reply to the Opposition on or before April 29, 2025. See [Adv. Docket Nos. 19 and 21]. The hearing on the Motions to Compel is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on May 6, 2025.

#### D. **Next Steps by the Parties**

The Parties do not intend to meet and confer until after the Court's disposition of the Motions to Compel.

<b>E.</b>	<b>The</b>	Trustee's	<b>Position</b>
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Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee is not committing to stay this adversary proceeding, in whole or in part, and the Trustee's decision regarding the administration and prosecution of this adversary proceeding will not be made until after the Court's disposition of the Motions to Compel.

#### F. **Security Life's Position**

Security Life asserts that it should be immediately dismissed because it is not a party to the agreement in dispute in this adversary proceeding. If a voluntary dismissal is not provided, Security Life intends to file a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

With regard to the pending Motions to Compel, Security Life is not a party to the subject agreement(s) and therefore should be excluded from any prospective order(s) compelling arbitration.

## G. **Defendants' Position (Other Than Security Life)**

If the Court grants the Motions to Compel, in their entirety or in part, then this adversary proceeding should be stayed pending completion of the arbitration proceedings, subject to Security Life's prospective motion to dismiss.

Dated: April 23, 2025 PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP

21 By /s/ John W. Lucas John W. Lucas 22

Attorneys for Plaintiff, Bradley D. Sharp, Chapter 11 Trustee

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